

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
ANDERSON/GREENWOOD DIVISION

Paul Leslie Cox, #75206,

Plaintiff,

v.

State of South Carolina, Allen Wilson, and
Robert M. Dudek, et al.,

Defendants.

C.A. No. 8:17-580-TMC

ORDER

Plaintiff, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, filed this action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1) and Local Civil Rule 73.02, D.S.C., this matter was referred to a magistrate judge for pretrial handling. Before the court is the magistrate judge's Report and Recommendation ("Report"), recommending that Plaintiff's motion to proceed *in forma pauperis* (ECF No. 2) be denied, Plaintiff be given an opportunity to pay the full filing fee, and the matter be dismissed without prejudice if Plaintiff does not pay the filing fee. (ECF No. 8). Plaintiff was advised of his right to file objections to the Report. (ECF No. 8 at 5). However, Plaintiff filed no objections to the Report and the time to do so has now run.

The Report has no presumptive weight and the responsibility to make a final determination in this matter remains with this court. *See Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270-71 (1976). In the absence of objections, this court is not required to provide an explanation for adopting the Report. *See Camby v. Davis*, 718 F.2d 198, 199 (4th Cir. 1983). Rather, "in the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation." *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee's note).

After a thorough review of the Report and the record in this case, the court adopts the

Magistrate Judge's Report (ECF No. 8) and incorporates it herein. It is therefore **ORDERED** that Plaintiff's Motion for Leave to Proceed *in forma pauperis* (ECF No. 2) is **DENIED**, and Plaintiff shall have twenty-one (21) days from the date of this order to pay the \$400.00 filing fee. It is further **ORDERED** that, if Plaintiff fails to timely pay the filing fee, the Complaint shall be **DISMISSED** without prejudice under the three strikes rule of 28 U.S.C. § 1915(g), and the Clerk shall enter final judgment.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/Timothy M. Cain
United States District Judge

Anderson, South Carolina
May 11, 2017

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

The parties are hereby notified of the right to appeal this order pursuant to Rules 3 and 4 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.